

VOL XXXVI, NO. 24.

CAIRO ILL., SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, 1904.

ESTABLISHED IN 1868

WAR ON BABY
KILLING TRUSTMurderous Anti-Toxin Magrants
to Face--Anti-Trust Laws.

DEATH RATE INCREASED

SAYS HEALTH DEPARTMENT. IF
WERE NOT STOPPED--BIG
PRICES CHARGED.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Jan. 16.—The Chicago Medical Society of the Illinois state medical association will, it is expected, begin legal proceedings against the anti-toxin trust under the anti-trust law.

Secretary Pritchard of the health department said today that he had been informed to the effect.

The official statement regarding the "death trust" in anti-toxin was issued today by Secretary Pritchard. This statement declares that "the anti-toxin trust is a terrific inhumanity and that the three concerns manufacturing and controlling the anti-toxin supply of almost the entire country have arbitrarily advanced the price one hundred per cent.

The department felt compelled to call the public attention to the combine which effectually controls the price of the only known remedy for the most dreaded scourge to child life in the country.

The primary object is to call attention to the immediate effect this would have on the death rate of children in Chicago. It has furnished its own medical adviser to administer, and has provided the anti-toxin in all cases where the people were too poor to purchase it.

"It is shown that because of the price made by the trust, Chicago will be compelled to appropriate double the sum to do the same amount of charity work in diphtheria cases this year that it did last year."

This, the city can and doubtless will do, the statement says, but outside of this it must be remembered that this burden will fall heavily on the self-respecting, self-supporting heads of families of modest incomes. To all such, should diphtheria invade their homes and they be compelled to pay the increased price. The burden put upon them by the anti-toxin trust will indeed be grievous.

In consequence the statement says: "The public has already aroused the medical profession to the highest indignation and it will no doubt result in steps being speedily taken to provide a supply of anti-toxin from sources other than that of the combine."

SOCIETY WOMAN
FOILS BLACKMAILERHad Coachman Arrested Who Threatened
Death and Exposures—Was
Armed to the Teeth.

By the Associated Press.
Chicago, Jan. 16.—A plot involving threats to kill and the publication of certain letters and photographs unless \$12,500 in cash was forthcoming was frustrated today by Mrs. Hollie Thurston, daughter of the late Charles Nash of the board of trade and a commission broker.

Under arrest charged with the plot is James Tilbery, the Nash family coachman. Tilbery was arrested at the Nash home at the moment Mrs. Thurston placed twelve \$1,000 bills and one \$500 bill in his hands.

On his person were found a dagger and two revolvers, with which it is charged, he had threatened to kill Mrs. Thurston unless she gave him the money demanded for the return of certain letters he said he had received from Mrs. Thurston, most of which she declares are forgeries.

GARRISON SURROUNDED

German Post in Southwest Africa Suffers
Heavy Losses From
Revolutionists.

By the Associated Press.
Berlin, Jan. 16.—A dispatch from Windhoek, German Southwest Africa, says the German post at Okahandja, Amismission station of Damaraland, is being hard pressed by the revolted

tribe of Hereros. Attempts made from Windhoek to relieve the garrison which has suffered heavy losses, have been unsuccessful. Windhoek itself is threatened and the militia has been called out. Hereros are well armed and mounted, having obtained horses and guns from settlers they have raided.

GOV. TAFT IN HONOLULU.

By the Associated Press.
Honolulu, Jan. 16.—Former Governor Taft will leave here Tuesday on the steamer Korea for San Francisco. He expects to reach that city Saturday night. He was given a public reception this afternoon and also reviewed the national guard.

TRAIN ROBBERS FOILED

Railroad Men Route Road Agents
After They Had Blown up a
Baggage Car.

By the Associated Press.
McClem, Fla., Jan. 16.—A passenger train on the Seaboard Air line was held up near Sanderson tonight, by four white men. After driving the engineer and fireman, from the cab, and running the train a half mile down the road, the robbers dynamited the baggage car, mistaking it for the express car.

The conductor and three traveling representatives of the road, who happened to be aboard, attacked the robbers, and after a brief battle drove them away. The robbers secured no booty.

TELLS OF HEINOUS
MURDER OF WIFE

Blondin Confesses to Brutally Killing
His Wife and Mutilating
Her Body.

By the Associated Press.
Boston, Jan. 16.—According to the Globe, J. W. Wilfred Blondin, convicted of the charge of murder of his wife and sentenced to life imprisonment has confessed that instead of killing his wife in a house in Boston, he strangled her by the roadside, carrying her body into the woods and cut off her head with a knife and threw her body in a nearby stream.

CONVENTION IS CALLED

Hanna Issues Official Notice of Republican National Gathering
at Chicago.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator Hanna has issued a call for the Republican national convention meet at Chicago at noon, January 21, 1904, to select candidates for president and vice president. The call makes the usual provisions for the number of delegates, four at large from each state and two from each congressional district. The delegates must be elected at least 30 days before the national convention meets.

The call contains this invitation: "The Republican electors of the United States and territories and District of Columbia, Alaska and Indian Territory and all other electors, without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in the principles of the Republican party and endorse its policies are cordially invited to this call in the selection of candidates for president and vice president."

LESE MAJESTE IN GERMANY.

By Associated Press.
Berlin, Jan. 16.—Rose Luxemburg, chief woman society instigator in Germany, has been sentenced to three months imprisonment, by the court at Zwickau, Saxony, for lese majeste.

ANOTHER DYNAMITE VICTIM.

By Associated Press.
Phillips, Wis., Jan. 16.—William Niemaler was killed and three others probably fatally injured by an explosion of dynamite in a lumber camp today. Niemaler attempted to throw the dynamite and the explosion followed.

WASHINGTON BULLETIN

By Associated Press.
Washington, Jan. 16.—ILLINOIS—Rain and warmer Sunday; Monday fair, variable winds becoming fresh southerly.
MISSOURI—Rain and warmer Sunday; Monday fair.

JAMES L. BLAIR
DIES IN FLORIDAFormer World's Fair Consul
General Dead After Long
Illness.

ONE MILLION INSURANCE

LEFT TO WIFE, SON AND CREDITORS—BODY SENT TO ST. LOUIS FOR INTERMENT.

By the Associated Press.
Eustis, Fla., Jan. 16.—James L. Blair, formerly general counsel of the St. Louis exposition, died here today. He came here five weeks ago, for the benefit of his health.

It was thought that he was improving, but last week his condition changed for the worse, and he did not rally.

His physician gives cerebral congestion as the cause of his death. Be-

Hall Whiteaker.

W. S. Sanderson, of Sanderson's Pharmacy, is in Danville, Ill., attending the funeral of his father, J. D. Sanderson, who died at his home in Joplin, Mo., on Thursday. Danville was formerly the home of the Sandersons.

Mrs. J. W. Campbell, of New Orleans, was visiting Miss Kose Busan this week.
The Polk Preserving Co., represented by Ralph B. Polk, had a conference with the farmers and gardeners in Firemen's hall this afternoon. The attendance was large and the discussions and suggestions proved interesting, educating and edifying along the line of producing tomatoes and sweet corn for the use of the canning plant. It was stated by J. A. Fix, manager of the factory, that he had agreements with the growers calling for 260 acres of tomatoes and 100 acres of sweet corn. In favorable seasons the tomato yields 300 bushels per acre and sweet corn 75 bushels per acre. It will be seen from these figures—which will be materially increased before planting time—that the cannery will make a large output of goods during the season of 1904.

The people of Beechwood are making a vigorous pull to have the name of the town changed from Beechwood to Mounds. The latter was the former and original name of the place. The mayor, R. J. Britton, has given public notice that the question will be continued to talk peace and the dowager

WAR INEVITABLE
JAPS MUST FIGHTOr Submit to Gradual Absorption
by the Bear.

RUSSIA'S RIGID TERMS

BUT LEAVES CHANCE FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS—NO
HOPE FOR PEACE.

By the Associated Press.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—It is already practically certain that Russia will not accept Japan's latest proposal as an entirety. Russia is ready to agree to certain points, but on others the foreign office believes Russia cannot yield. Officials are of the opinion that the way is open for continuing the negotiations but there is no indication that Russia will seek to delay her answer, which will be ready in a few days. The czar continues to talk peace and the dowager

dependents submerged under a continual aggression that is bound to absorb you eventually. Nothing can avert war between Russia and Japan in future years, even if peace is procured now, so long as Russia pursues her present eastern policy.

"We believe we are now fighting a diplomatic battle in behalf of America and Great Britain but, if only war can settle it we know we shall receive assistance from neither. We are prepared to fight our own battles and take the consequences."

OPINION IN LONDON.

That War Must Come But May Be Delayed Several Weeks
Yet.

By Associated Press.
London, Jan. 16.—In the opinion of the British government the end of this week does not mark any change in the far eastern crisis which more than ever keeps diplomatic circles in London in a state of anxiety. Latest and, if it had been true, most serious statement, namely, that Russia intended to risk sending her Black sea fleet through the dardanelles and received today positive denial, from the foreign office. The excessive apprehension prevailing in best informed quarters, here that Russia's answer to Japan will precipitate war, is based more on the attitude Russia has taken, than upon previous phases of the controversy. Not even the czar's pacific utterances, however, can dispel the fear which prevades British officials that Russia will not give in.

Persons do not look for any culmination of the crises within three weeks. Suggested intervention, in the shape of tendering their good offices, on the part of other powers, is now universally declared here to be quite impossible.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

Of the Cairo Children's Home—Much
Good Accomplished Since Home
Was Opened.

Following is the report of the secretary of the Children's Home, which is a local institution and has no connection whatever with any state or private institution:

To the Members of the Children's Home.

On November 11, 1902, Hon. M. E. Gilbert, presented us with keys to the home and on the following Thanksgiving it was opened to the public.

Of our hard work and trials I need not speak, only of the good work which we have accomplished.

We have held 24 meetings and averaged eight persons at a meeting. Our largest attendance has been 13, our smallest five.

In the past year we have cared for 55 children—some of them only a short time—still they were under our protection.

Remarkable as it may seem, we have had no death in the home.

Our books show \$1047.07 contributed and disbursements \$923.61 for 15 months.

This amount includes the cost of furniture, provisions, fuel, light, matron's salary, incidentals, etc. At no time have we been unable to pay our bills as they became due.

Much of our success is due to the generous citizens of Cairo, the press, T. C. Clendenen, his teachers and the pupils of the public schools.

We are about to enter upon a new year, and we speak for the incoming officers, the forbearance and generous ties shown us in the past.

Respectfully submitted,
L. H. SADLER, Secretary.

The officers of the home are: Mrs. A. Comings, president; Mrs. J. E. Strong, vice-president; P. H. Smyth, treasurer; Mrs. B. Sadler, secretary; Mrs. George Clark, financial secretary; M. L. Gilbert, legal adviser; J. J. Rendleman, medical adviser; governing board, Mrs. Wm. B. Gilbert, Mrs. H. Lohr and Mrs. S. Bird.

GAVE A RECITAL.

Mrs. Frank Spencer entertained the advance pupils of Miss Emma Woodward's music class yesterday afternoon at her home, 419 Ninth street, in honor of her niece, Miss May Titus, of Beechwood. The pupils gave a recital and rendered an excellent program following which refreshments were served. Those who participated in the program were: Misses Florence Brown, Rose Howley, Blanche Thistlewood, Modena Woodward, Lulu Young, Edith Hill, Pearl Cohen, all of this city; Misses Mary Belleford, May Gallion, Hazel Kennedy, Cora Pearson and Mary Titus, of Beechwood; and Miss Busam and Ruby Howley, of Mound City.

JURORS INSPECT
CHARNELL HOUSEDetectives Followed Coroners'
Jury Through Ill-Fated
Theatre.

ONE MORE FIRE VICTIM

ANOTHER METHODIST PREACHER
DIES FROM EFFECTS—ONLY
ONE WITNESS.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Jan. 16.—But one witness was heard in the Iroquois theatre fire inquest today and the jury then adjourned to inspect the interior of the theatre.

A lively dispute took place when Deputy Coroner Buckley and the jurors entered the building. A force of detectives, employed by the owners of the building followed them around and insisted upon listening to all that was said. They moved away only when Buckley threatened to arrest all the detectives.

James G. Cummings, stage carpenter of the Iroquois theatre was today's witness. He was exasperatingly evasive in his replies and Coroner Trengor rebuked him several times. Cummings' testimony did not differ materially from that of other stage employees, save that he swore he had shown a dozen of them how to open the ventilators.

Rev. L. Roberts, pastor of the Hamilton Methodist church, died today of injuries received in the fire. His death brings the total up to 572.

MOUNDS NOTES.

Mrs. J. W. Harding and daughter, Miss Maud, who have been visiting in St. Louis, returned Saturday.

The participants of the dance given at the Mounds hotel last Friday night report an enjoyable time.

The party given by Mrs. John Sadler, last evening, in honor of her son, Master Willie's sixth birthday, proved a very pleasant occasion for the little folks who attended.

Miss Lizzie Stubbs, of Wickliffe, Ky., who has been visiting Mrs. S. C. Hogan, returned to her home Friday.

Little Doris Bruner is reported recovering from a week's illness.

Mrs. Grandstaff, of Villa Ridge, who has been visiting her son Lester, returned home today accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Lester Grandstaff.

Mrs. George Wood and Miss Sarah Travers are Mound City visitors today.

Mrs. Hall Whitaker, of Mound City, visited her sister, Mrs. A. L. Compton, yesterday.

Misses Marie Titus, May Gallion and Mary Brelsford attended the music rehearsal of Miss Emma Woodward's pupils at the residence of Mrs. Frank Spencer in Cairo yesterday.

Mrs. Olive Walker, is visiting relatives in Mound City.

Fred Raub is ill with a light attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. S. P. Hogan visited her mother, in Cairo Saturday.

FOUR PETTY OFFENDERS

Given County Jail Sentences for Stealing Coal, Shoes, Brass, Money, Etc.

In the county court yesterday, Judge Dewey presiding, the following cases were summarily disposed of on pleas of guilty:

William Nixon, stole a pair of shoes of the value of \$2.50 from Joe Evelstein.

Joe Hill stole 100 pounds of brass from the Mobile & Ohio railroad company, valued at \$10.

Martin Palmer stole two bushels of coal from the same company.

Princess McCabe stole a key worth 50c, a knife worth 50c, and a paper dollar of lawful money of the United States of the value of one dollar, from George Morgan.

All will board it out with the county jailer.

CAIRO JUBILANT.

A commercial traveler reports the merchants of Cairo already beginning to feel jubilant over the reports of Mississippi county going dry, as they claim it will bring business from this county to Cairo in all lines, and will be quite a boon to them.—Charleston Courier.



BEWARE THE MAELSTROM.